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If thou wouldest read a lesson that will keep thy heart from fainting and thy soul from sleep, Go to the woods and hills.—Longfellow.

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hontas county.

Those needing his services will
please communicate by letter and
make appointments to suit con-
venience.

A STIRRING PETITION.

AN OFFICIAL COPY OF THE PETITION TO FORM A NEW COUNTY

Pocahontas County Was the Name Given it, By the Legislature of Vir-
ginia, in the Year 1821.

To the Speaker and Members of
both houses of the Legislature:

The petition of sundry inhab-
itants of the counties of Bath, Ran-
dolph, and Pendleton, humbly
presents that they live in a
section of country which appears
to have been designed by nature
to have but little (if any) inter-
course with that part of their re-
spective counties in which the seat
of justice has been located. They
are cut off by mountains and riv-
ers, often impossible and always
dangerous. Many of us residing
fifty miles from our present seat
of justice, and the nearest of us
upwards of twenty, possessing
almost half the population of the
county of Bath, with a rich and
fertile soil, are often called upon

as grand jurors, as witnesses and
upon many other occasions, to at-
tend at the court house of our
respective counties. But when
justice depends upon our attendance,
it is often impeded, and we put
to the painful necessity of travel-
ing from forty to one hundred
miles to show cause why the
penalty of the law shall not be
imposed upon us. And should
equally unfortunate (which is often
the case) in not reaching the
court to which we are summoned
for that purpose, our property is
sacrificed for the non-performance
of that which nature and nature's
God said we shall not perform,
we are therefore compelled to
labour under our load (and as it
respects other sections of the country),
unequal fate, which is in the
power of your honorable body
alone to ameliorate, and upon
mature reflections, the only rem-
edy which presents itself to our
view is the fountain of a new
county, within the following
bounds, to wit:

Beginning at the line of Green-
brier county, on the top of the
Alleghany mountain; thence with
the said line to the head of the Spic
Run; thence with the said line to
the end of the Droop mountain
thence with said line to Fryer's
Knob; thence with said line to
where it intersects the line of Bath
and Randolph; thence with the
line dividing Randolph and
Greenbrier counties, to the mountai-
nous point of the junction of the
Bannock Shoal River with Wil-
liam's River; thence a straight
line to the mouth of the Dry Fork
of Elk River; thence a straight
line to the top of the mountain
between the head of the valley
river and the point last aforesaid,
where the road leading from
Clover Lick to Randolph Court
House, crossing said mountain;
thence a straight line to where
the line of Pendleton county inter-
sects the line of Bath and Ran-
dolph counties, on the top of the
mountain between Cheat and
Greenbrier rivers; thence to the
top of the mountain to where
the road leading from Slavey's to
Randolph court house, crosses it;
thence a straight line to the top
of the Allegany mountain oppo-
site the head of East Fork of
Greenbrier River; thence with the
top of said mountain to the Pen-
dleton line; thence with the top
of said mountain to the beginning.

We are fully aware of the pre-
judices which exist against the
formation of new counties, we are
aware that many applications are
founded upon political or party
views. These we disclaim, public
convenience is all we ask, and
ask it with the greatest confi-
dence when we approach the
tribunal clothed with the attri-
butes of justice and of mercy,
that will not impose a burthen
when the power of forming is
withheld. We do not appear
with an ostentatious display of
wealth as the foundation of our
pretensions, or as the means by
which we hope to arrive at them,
but hope that the same measure
of justice will be extended to us,
that was given to the poor widow
who threw her humble support

examples of his government. No;
his wants shall be relieved; the
land of his birth shall offer his
protection and the home of his
father shall not be abandoned.

Your petitioners as in duty
bound well ever pray, &c.

John McCarty, James Kerr, Fran-
cis W. Pukins, Joseph Whode,
jr., Daniel Matheny, John
Sharp, William Campbell, John
May, Henry Harold, Isaac Moor,
Lantz Lockridge, Wm. Callahan,
Peter Harold, James Wingo,
Christopher Harold, William
Wauless, William Nichols, James
Grimes, Michael Cleek, James
Piles, Jacob Scybert, Weston
Mills, Abraham Scybert, Joseph
Scybert, Samuel Cummings,
Jacob Arbaugh, Alex. Morrison,
William Blair, Daniel Colison,
John Clotte, Absali Morrison,
Josiah Jacobs, Jas. Morrison,
David Jacobs, John Erwing, jr.,
John Bradshaw, Thomas Wood-
dell, Patrick Bruffy, Alexander
Gillaspie, John Galford, Jacob
Warrick, David Derr, James
Gillaspie, Dael Friell, Arthur
Grimes, Boon Bellamin, John
Jordon, Jacob Piles, Daniel Keli-
son, Samuel Hawk, Moses
Hughes, George Hughes, John
Arbaugh, Daniel Alderman, Jacob
Neff, Anthony Lighter, Solomon
Buzzard, John Neff, John Evine,
Samuel Dougherty, Charles
Grimes, Joseph Moore, William
Nichols, Samuel DeNeckles

The scripture lesson was 3rd
chapter of 2nd, Peter. The text,
"But grow the grace and in the
knowledge of our Lord and Sav-
ior Jesus Christ, to whom be
glory both now and forever,
Amen," 2 Peter 18.

This trial sermon was preached
11 a. m. Wednesday in the pres-
ence of an overflowing and deeply
interested audience.

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lar audience was present when
C. Reed Lacy delivered his trial
sermon for licensure.

The scripture lesson was the

GREENBRIER PRESBYTERY.

PROCEEDINGS OF RECENT MEETING CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK.

The Church on Knapps Creek to be
Organized—Next Session at Ron-
eville.

Among the more important
proceedings was the licensure of
Arn D. Watkins and Reed Lacy
for ministerial service. The
Presbyterian theory is to license
a candidate then let him in this
authorized way make proof of his
qualifications and if acceptable
to the churches and they apply
for his pastoral services, the
candidate is ordained to the full
work of the ministry and duly
installed.

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THE LITTLE COUNTRY PAPER.

When the evenin' shade is fallin' at the endin' o' the day,
An' a feller rests from labor smokin' at his pipe o' clay,
There's nothin' does him so much good, be fortune up or down
As the little country paper from his

Ol'

Home

Town.

It ain't a thing o' beauty an' its print ain't always clean,
But it straightens out his temper when a feller's feelin'
mean,

It takes the wrinkles off his face an' brushes off the frown,
That little country paper from his

Ol'

Home

Town.

It tells of all the parties an' the balls of Pumkin Row,
'Bout who spent Sunday with who's girl and how th'
crops'll grow,

An' how it keeps a fellow posted 'bout who's up an' who
is down,

That little country paper from his

Ol'

Home

Town.

Now, I like to read the dailies an' the story papers, too,
An' at times the yaller novels an' some other trash—don't
you?

But when I went some readin' that'll brush away a frown

I want that little paper from my

Ol'

Home

Town.

Denver Post.

third chapter of Galatians which
was read in such an appropriate
manner as to be tantamount to
the best type of "running com-
ment" so termed.

The scripture lesson as read by
both of the candidates were very
attractive features of the services
and the improvement in this re-
spect is something marvelous.
The text was "Christ has redeme-
ed us from the curse of the law,
being made a curse for us; for it
is written cursed is every one
that hangeth on a tree," Galatians
3:13.

It having been reported by the
several examining committees,
that the candidates had passed all
the trials and examinations satis-
factorily, it was arranged to li-
cense the candidates during the
evening services, Thursday. The
Moderator propounded the ques-
tions and Rev. J. C. Brown of-
fered prayer.

Mr. Watkins will be the min-
ister at Case, Pocahontas county,
and Mr. Lacy accept the pas-
torate of Centreville church serv-
ed so long and acceptably by
Rev. M. H. Bittenger and who
remains Pastor Emeritus.

Rev. Dr. Sydenstricker presen-
ted an elaborate report on the
subject of Foreign Missions and
after an address by Rev. J. C.
Johnson, the report was approved.

A petition signed by thirty-two
persons for the organization of a
church on upper Knapps Creek,

was received and a commissioner
was appointed to visit that com-
munity and organize, if the way
be clear.

A similar petition from Lawton
on Loup Creek, signed by 22
persons was received and a com-
missioner appointed for the orga-
nization, if the way be clear.
Rev. C. D. Gilkeson presented a
report on Home Evangeliza-
tion that was interesting and
stimulating and will no doubt
prompt our people to earnest en-
deavor to promote the important
enterprises recommended by the
report.

The "Fall meetings" of Pres-
bytery will hereafter be held in
August, so as to have the pres-
ence of candidates and as a time
more suitable for meetings in the
country.

Rev. T. J. Wickline was in-
vited to sit as a visiting brother
by a rising vote and was intro-
duced by the Moderator.

Rev. Dr. M. L. Lacy, preached
one of his able and pungent
sermons on the Desecration of the
Sabbath, that deserves the widest
publicity in the pending emer-
gencies now upon the religious
people of opinion in our country.

The principle that underlies the
desecration of the Sabbath by the
business interests or commercial
enterprises of the period, lie so

near the limits of God's forbear-
ance as to awaken feelings of in-
tense alarm in the hearts of those
who believe in the divine provi-
dential retribution, denounced
against Sabbath desecration. It
requires but slight acquaintance
with the history of the past to
convince any receptive mind, that
the violation of the 4th and 7th
commandments, mark the limits
of Divine Patience when near
pestilence and famine are sent out

on their ministry of mourn-
ings and lamentations and woe. No one
seems to feel this more intensely
than Dr. Lacy and he or no one
else can feel too deeply or speak
too earnestly that loves his fellow
citizens.

Rev. Dr. Telford, G. W. Nick-
ell, W. T. Price and Elders G. M.
Kee and Dr. S. P. Patterson were
appointed to organize a church
the 4th Sabbath of October on
Knapps Creek if the way be clear.

Revs. J. C. Brown, B. Harrop,
J. M. Sloan and Elder B. F.
Moore appointed to organize a
church at Lawton, W. Va., if
the way be clear, at a time to be
selected by themselves.

Revs. J. M. Sloan, M. H. Bitt-
tenger, W. J. Garrison and Elders
Edgar Campbell and M. H.<